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SUBJECT: GAO STUDY OF U.S. ACTIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE RESOLUTIONS OF
THE 1974 WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

REF: A) STATE 214165; B) STATE 223067; C) ROME 15700

1. FODAG APPRECIATES GAO WILLINGNESS ADOPT PLAN FOR PURSUIT
OF SUBJECT STUDY TO MEET SUGGESTIONS IN REF C.

2. FODAG WILL BE IN POSITION IN NOVEMBER TO FACILITATE
NECESSARY CONTACTS PROVIDED THRUST OF INQUIRY, AT LEAST
AS IT IS PURSUED HERE, IS ON PROGRESS MADE IN IMPLEMENTING
THE 22 RESOLUTIONS OF WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE, NOT SPECIFICALLY
OR SOLELY WHAT U.S. HAS OR HAS NOT DONE TO IMPLEMENT THEM.

3. FODAG WILL APPRECIATE HAVING GAO OUTLINE WELL IN ADVANCE
SO THAT IT CAN SIGNAL ANY PROBLEM AREAS IT SEES BEFORE FAO
TEAM ARRIVES.

4. FODAG RECENTLY LEARNED FROM HENRY WALTERS THAT HE HAS
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LAUNCHED WFC SECRETARIAT ON A REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE
RESOLUTIONS WITH A VIEW TO BEING IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE
TO SEPTEMBER 1979 MTG OF WFC A FIVE-YEARS- AFTER STATUS REPORT.
NEW WFC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WILLIAMS APPEARS FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO
THE PROJECT BUT UNDERSTANDABLY WARY RE MANNER OF PRESENTING
RESULTS. WALTERS, WHO WILL BE AVAILABLE IN OCTOBER IN WASHINGTON,
SHOULD BE ABLE OFF THE TOP OF HIS HEAD, TO GIVE GAO TEAM GOOD

PICTURE OF "STATUS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS OF MORE IMPORTANT
RESOLUTIONS" PLUS WFC OFFICIALS WHO WILL BE WORKING ON WFC STUDY.
MAURICE WILLIAMS AHAS ALREADY BEEN APPRISED OF GAO INTEREST AND
IF INQUIRY STARTS IN WFC, AS WT MIGHT, IT SHOULD START
WITH WILLIAMS, AND CAREFULLY RESPECT ANY SENSITIVITIES HE MAY
HAVE ABOUT A U.S. ORIGINATED STUDY LAUNCHED COTERMINOUSLY WITH
HIS ARRIVAL AND APPEARING TO FAN OUT FROM HIS SECRETARIAT.
IT IS LIKEWISE IMPORTANT IF GAO DESIRES INTERVIEW NUMEROUS FAO,
IFAD, AND WFP OFFICIALS THAT WE BE ABLE TO DESCRIBE TO DG,
POSSIBLY THROUGH INITIAL TALKS WITH PHILLIPS, BIRNBAUM AND
COSHIN, ORIGIN, NATURE, AND PURPOSE OF STUDY.HOLMES

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